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The Church of God Evangel

ALL NATIONS — MATT. 28:19.

EVERY CREATURE — MARK 16:15

CLEVELAND, TENN.

GOD IS LOVE

THE PILLAR — THE TRUTH

A Victory Won

Matt. 6:14.

While looking at the toilsome road
I travel every day,
I often wonder why it is
I can not see His way.
Perhaps it is not very strange
And it might really be,
As I forgive my debtors
My Lord will pardon me.

Sometimes my soul is sorely vexed
When I see sin abound.
It seems no one this day and age
Cares for the lost or found.
But surely there's a friend that's true,
And that's my hope, you see,
If I forgive my debtors
My Lord will pardon me.

Some seem to be so proud and feel
They owe no thought or care
For friends they needed long ago
When they were in despair.
And after all their cares are passed
They stand alone, you see,
But I'll forgive my debtors
And my Lord will pardon me.

And when at last my work is done
And I go home to rest,
I'll have that joy of knowing
That I have done my best.
No matter how my friends forsake,
There's one I trust, you see,
For as I forgive my debtors
My Lord will pardon me.

—Viola Bunker.

THE GROUND OF

EPH. 2:20 — I TIM. 3:15

"He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces; . . . ," Isa. 25:8.

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NOTICES
From the Field

To whom it may concern: This is to certify that M. L. Kuhn and J. D. Taylor are no longer ministers nor members of the Church of God.—J. L. Dorman, overseer of Mississippi.

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My address has been changed from Bigtimber, Montana, to 650 E. Chatham, Windsor, Ontario, Canada.—M. L. Lowe.

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To whom it may concern: This is to certify that Willie Garrett is no longer a licensed evangelist in the Church of God.—W. L. Ford (colored), state overseer, Box 214, Georgiana, Ala.

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To my many friends: I am in evangelistic work this Assembly year and mean to really do all I can for my Master and fellow man. Any of you needing a real, old time, Holy Ghost revival, let me hear from you. For reference I give John C. Jernigan, 2519 Trunk St., Cleveland, Tenn., and E. E. O'Neal, Donalsonville, Ga., and many others, if needed. I have a young man with me who picks and sings. Let me hear from you any time and anywhere.—Hays M. Long, Rt. 1, Donalsonville, Ga.

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I have been appointed district overseer of the Hazlehurst, Ga., district so I take this method of notifying all the churches on this district that I am ready to serve you at any time. I ask each pastor to give me your address so I can notify you when I am coming. Let's be one hundred per cent for God and the church and its teachings.—H. A. Powell, Gen. Del., Hazlehurst, Ga.

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Our services are not that of prophetic lecturing but prophetic evangelizing. It is our desire to have the presence of the Holy Ghost in every service.—Russell Ford, prophetic evangelist, 1002 S. Rosina Ave., Somerset, Pa.

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I am a girl eighteen years of age. I play the uke and sing; am filled with the Holy Ghost and love the Lord with all my heart. I would like to get in touch with someone who could give me a good Christian home. I am willing to work for my board and clothing. My parents are sinners and fight me about going to church. I must find a home soon. I would appreciate going in an evangelistic party to help wins souls for God. Can furnish good recommendations and will do my best to help in any way I can. Please pray that God will undertake for me.—Miss Hilda Barnard, c|o Wade W. Miller, 803 E. Henry St., Wooster, Ohio.

My new address is Gen. Del., Asheville, N. C.—H. C. Peek.

NOTES
From My Letters
J. H. Walker, *General Overseer*

I have just received the following telegram from Rev. J. L. Goins, overseer of Iowa and Nebraska: "Ministers' meeting closed with great enthusiasm. Well attended. Went over the top 100 per cent with aged ministers' quota for Iowa and Nebraska."

May the dear Lord continue to bless in your territory, Brother Goins.

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News has just reached me that a check for $441.10 has just been received from the State of Florida, paying up in full their aged ministers' quota for the year 1941. Many thanks for this special offering. May God bless you folk in Florida.

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"We have just raised our aged ministers' quota—$23.60—and have some on our one-dollar-per-member quota. We expect to go over the top with it all. We are looking forward to a good year. Pray for us."—C. H. Standifer, Shelburn, Indiana.

May God continue to be with you in the work in Indiana, Brother Standifer.

SPECIAL NOTICE

To All Evangelists and Exhorters

Evangelists, please send your 1940 license to the General Secretary and Treasurer, E. J. Boehmer, Cleveland, Tennessee, for renewal.

Exhorters, please mail your 1940 exhorters' license, or any that you have, to your state overseer immediately.

Instructions

All evangelists and exhorters, please write your name carefully on the reverse side of your license, giving your correct address.

Remember that the act of the Assembly declares your license null and void December 31, 1940.

Caution

Exhorters, please do not send your license to the General Secretary and Treasurer. Evangelists, do not ask for special permit to perform marriage ceremonies. This courtesy will be extended to you by your state overseer.

Thank You

For sending in your license immediately.

SPECIAL MISSION NOTICE

We wish to thank all who have contributed clothes for Haiti in order that hundreds of people may attend services. We shipped October 25 one hundred thirty-four cubit feet of boxes packed with clothes.

All clothes intended for Haiti should be addressed to Mrs. Chester Maxwell, Mission Circle, Somerstown Road, Ossining, New York. Be sure to address all packages plainly and distinctly; it would be better to print the address. Also, be sure to sign your name and address. Some packages have not been acknowledged because the address could not be read. In no case should anyone attempt to send packages or boxes of clothes directly to Brother Kluzit. It is likely to cause him much trouble and is possible it would even stop future shipments.

Someone at the Assembly insisted on sending a package directly to Haiti. It was sent to the wrong pier in New York and was held up for some time until the Mission Circle was finally notified and had to go to trouble and pay $4.00 in getting it transferred to another pier. It was also subject to storage charge, however, the shipping company did not force us to pay that charge.

The navy has taken over some piers even in the last few days, so that shipping is being changed continually. For further information you may write us or you may write Mrs. Maxwell at the above address. —Zeno C. Tharp, secretary of Mission Board, Sevierville, Tenn.

TESTIMONIES

MARKED TREE, Ark.—I praise the Lord because I am able to praise Him. About three and one-half months ago I was taken down with chills and fever. I was very sick for some time. I had just seven chills but I went down in body until it seemed I couldn't live. I sent for the saints at church one Sunday. Some came and prayed and I got some better then got worse. I sent again and about twenty came. When they began to pray and lay hands on, something got hold of me. Thank the Lord, He healed me. I have been trusting Him for my healing for over fifteen years. Not anything do I take when I am sick, but just a little more of Jesus. Again I praise Him for healing my two children when they were sick. The Lord is real to those who will put their trust in Him.

Dear saints, I love you, I love the Church of God. I want to do more for uplifting the work of the Lord. Pray for me and my home that we will be looking for the Lord when He comes. May the Lord bless you one and all is my prayer.—James W. Atkins.

Personal Work

BY THEA F. JONES

Eccl. 9:10, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest."

Matt. 9:37, 38, "Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest."

John 1:41, 42, "He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messias, which is, being interpreted, the Christ, And he brought him to Jesus."

John 1:45, "Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

John 4:35, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

John 9:4, "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."

James 5:20, "Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins."

Personal Work At Home

Luke 8:39, "Return to thine own house, and show how great things God hath done unto thee. And he went his way, and published throughout the whole city how great things Jesus had done unto him."

This is the man out of whom the demons were cast. The Bible tells us that Jesus arrived in the country of the Gadarenes and there met a man who was insane, who had been possessed with devils a long time and wore no clothes, neither abode in any house, but in tombs. If a man like this were in our town, don't you know the mothers would be afraid for their children to be on the streets or to play in the parks? Even the law enforcers had no control over him, but when Jesus passed by this one possessed with devils fell down to his knees and acknowledged Jesus as the Son of God. After Jesus cast the devils out of the man, he begged that he might go with Jesus. But Christ said, "Return to thine own house, and show how great things God hath done unto thee." So many Christians today think there is nothing for them to do if they can't be sensational evangelists, pastors, state overseers, or missionaries. But Christ told this man to return to his own house and tell of the great things God had done for him. Remember, the light that shines the farthest away from home shines the brightest at home. So many people are more interested in those people at a great distance than the ones near by. Do you tell the grocer, barber, paper boy, and those with whom you come in contact daily what great things God has done for you? The Christ we can't share with others, we can't keep ourselves.

Jesus gives us His commission in Mark 16:15, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." This commission is as broad as the universe and as narrow as the man next to you. If you are unable to go to China or to Africa, you still have the opportunity to talk to your next-door neighbor. There

Thea F. Jones

are people who live in apartment houses for five years and the people next door don't even know they are Christians.

You may say, "Well my neighbors don't believe in my religion." But you have not done your duty until you tell them about this wonderful Christ and the work He has wrought in your life—that He can do the same for them.

Just as this man out of whom the devils were cast was so enthusiastic at the time he was saved that he wanted to be with Jesus all the time, so are a number of new converts so enthusiastic they feel they can preach or do great things for the Lord. Then many times when the revival is over their enthusiasm cools and they begin to feel there is nothing for them to do. But there is plenty to be done around home.

In the first chapter of St. John we find that Andrew was converted after hearing John preach, and he first found his own brother and told him about the Christ, and brought him to Jesus. Just as soon as Andrew found Christ he wanted somebody else in his family to know Him. So is true religion. It is contagious and spreads to those with whom we come in closest contact. 1 Cor. 7:14, "For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband: else were your children unclean; but now are they holy." When the wife is converted and lives her religion in the home she is most sure to win her husband and her children for God.

If the demons of sin have been cast out of us as they were from the Gadarene and we have been clothed in our right minds—that is, the mind of Christ—we should publish the news in our own house.

The Bride Says, Come

Rev. 22:17, "The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

Some people think the Spirit is supposed to do all the work in inviting sinners to come to God. The revelator plainly says in the same verse that the bride says, "Come." And the Bible teaches that the bride is the Church.

Isa. 62:5, "For as a young man marrieth a virgin, so shall thy sons marry thee: and as the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy God rejoice over thee."

2 Cor. 11:2, "For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ."

Rev. 19:7, "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready."

If we are Christians, we are a part of the Bride and should not depend on the Spirit altogether, but should feel a responsibility to invite the unsaved to come to the Savior. A traveler remarked to a switchman on a railroad, "Yours is a very responsible position." "Yes, but it is nothing compared to yours as a Christian." Christians, the responsibility of telling souls about Christ should not be left entirely up to the preacher, but it is your duty and privilege as well. We can't make them repent or pray but we are cleared if we tell them about His saving grace.

We are the ambassadors of Christ, the representatives of Jesus and though we can't sing like angels or preach like Paul, yet we can tell the love of Jesus, tell how He died for all.

Paul said in Rom. 5:8, "But God com-

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Editorially Speaking

A Time of Trouble Today as we look at the newspapers, another country, Hungary, has signed up with the axis powers and so the totalitarian regime marches on. Fear has gripped the hearts of all liberty-loving people of Europe. Those who dared to oppose or even fail to line up with the totalitarian regime are swept into concentration camps. According to the Jewish Missionary Magazine for November, there are 30,000 Jews in concentration camps in Germany; 20,000 have committed suicide; 8,000 have been murdered, and 90,000 have died, probably the most of them because of ill treatment. But this does not tell us anything of the suffering that has come to the Pentecostal people of Germany and those countries that have been overrun by it. Perhaps their story of suffering will never be known, but the suffering, the anxiety, and the troubled mind are not alone in Europe, for America sits in a chair of anxiety wondering what is coming next. Will the trouble which has swamped the Old World come to this one? is the question that is asked. And, if it does, what then?

It certainly is easy, in a time of trouble, to take a pessimistic view of conditions, but let us remember that those humble followers of Christ when they were here on earth, were just as unpopular with those among whom they lived as are the Jews and Christians in the totalitarian nations of Europe. But in the very heart of their troubles Jesus told them beautiful stories and drew them illustrations pointing out what would come to them as the result of their following Him. In Matthew 22 He gave the beautiful parable of the marriage feast by a father for his son, and climaxed it with the gathering in from the highways as many as they found to be brought in to the marriage. Jesus forewarned the disciples of His suffering and right in the midst of their sorrow, just like a lover speaking to his betrothed, He spake those wonderful words in John 14, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me." Then again, "I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself." And it might be noted that those precious words "unto myself," were as consoling as any words could have been at that time.

Jesus spoke to His disciples in His parting words at a supper and in that supper spoke of another when He said, "With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God." Luke 22:15, 16. Then again, "I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come." Certainly it was in looking forward to the marriage supper of the Lamb that He uttered such wonderful words. That night of eating and drinking was a night of fellowship, a night of sacred, kindred, and close feeling, but Jesus spoke of another time, and He said in practically these words, "I will not eat with you any more here. I will not drink with you any more here." He sang a hymn at the supper. That was the last time He sang on earth, the next time to be in the midst of His redeemed in glory, Heb. 2:12, saying, "I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee." So the hope of the Church is the marriage supper at a time where the redeemed may sing with their Redeemer as they eat and drink again with Him.

A Hiding Place In earlier days of Pentecost, a saintly old German professor was conducting a private school. It was his belief that those who had given their hearts to God and whose children were being taught in the way of holiness, should not have to go to school with and be contaminated with the doctrine of those who did not believe in holiness. His school opened every morning with a devotional service. A young minister came by and was asked one morning to lead in the service, and when he read from God's Word he used as his lesson the 91st Psalm. After having finished his text he remarked, "I thank God that I am living in the 91st Psalm." At the close of his remarks the old professor looked over his glasses and said, "Young man, if you are living in the 91st Psalm, you are certainly living some place." And this certainly is true. But even though the place described in the 91st Psalm is a wonderful place, it is not impossible for one to live in such a way that he can claim all of the blessings that are provided in that wonderful chapter. And it certainly is true that now is that time that the righteous can claim the God of gods as their God and may dwell in His secret place and under His shadow. It is the place of true safety.

Everywhere one looks it is evident that men are more concerned with the things of the world, things that are natural, than things that are spiritual. But there is as much protection in the true service of God today as ever. His power to deliver is just the same as ever. There is just as much comfort and consolation in His Word as ever, and His Word is just as true as ever. There is nothing about God or about His Word or about His plan of salvation that has failed. All the failure has been in man. He may have to suffer with Christ but, if so, there is a promise that he may reign with Him, for all the texts for those who have submitted themselves to God and committed their way to God, are glory texts, and their reward shall be exceeding abundantly above anything the moral mind could think of or ask for.

LISTEN, EVANGEL SUBSCRIBERS!

We are anxious for you to get your Evangel every week and if you are not getting it you should write us. However, in our experience we have found many reasons which we cannot correct unless you help us. We are herewith giving some instructions that will help you to help us.

1. In sending in subscriptions be sure to write your name and address, or the names and addresses of those for whom you are subscribing, plainly.

2. If you move, be sure to notify the Publishing House, asking for your address to be changed, and give both the old and new addresses. If you move without notifying us the Evangel will be stopped.

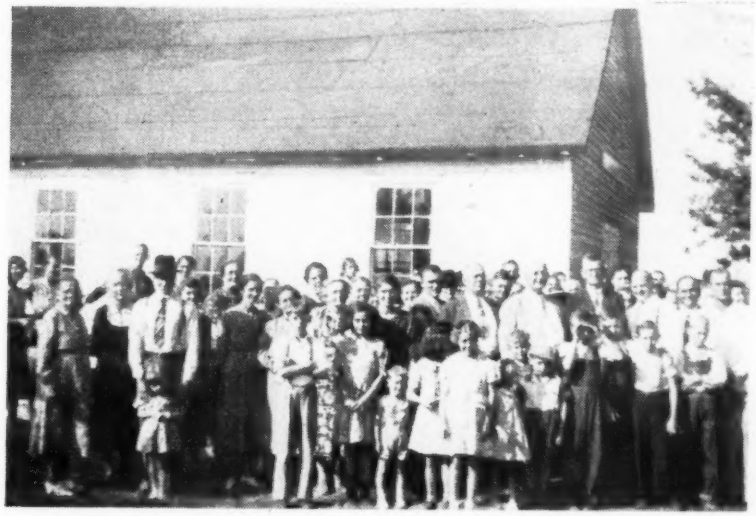
3. If you receive a renewal slip in your paper, it indicates that your subscription has expired. If you send in a subscription afterward, don't mark it renewal.

4. Don't take this to your pastor or overseer as we have all the records here and will be glad to help you get the matter pertaining to your subscription straightened out. Just drop us a card. It will be much easier and quicker to take care of in this way.

Pastors and Sunday School Superintendents Listen!

For many years there has been a demand in the Church of God Sunday Schools for a Sunday School paper for the junior grades. For some reason it has never become a reality, but at last that for which you have been longing has come to pass and we have a Sunday School paper entitled "Our Junior Jewels." It will be off the press in time for the first quarter of 1941. The price will be 10c per quarter per copy, that is, there will be thirteen papers for 10c, one paper for each student for the entire quarter. Be sure to order a good supply for your junior classes with your regular order of Sunday School literature. You may get a sample on request.

DEDICATION GREATLY ENJOYED AT EQUALITY, ILLINOIS



This picture shows a happy group of people gathered at Equality, Ill., Church of God for the dedication one Sunday in September. They were glad to have Rev. H. O. Harris, state overseer, with them, who dedicated the building to God. Brother Harris is a fine man and wonderful preacher. Surely this was a glorious day to all who attended.

They had visiting ministers from various churches over the Eldorado district, including Brother C.H. Standifer, district overseer, Brother J. H. Freeman, pastor at Carrier Mills, Brother M. O. Smith, pastor at Harrisburg, Brother Stewart, pastor at Rosiclare, Brothers Lawrence Gibson and Clarence Heil, both young evangelists, and others. Brother J. F. Milligan, the tallest man in the picture, is the good pastor of this church. He also pastors Shawneetown and Honey Comb Churches of God. Brother Milligan is liked by the people in southern Illinois. He has proven his worth to the church by his sacrifices made over a period of years.

The writer is standing to the left of Brother Standifer. I was in a hurry to get this picture over because to our right they were spreading a basket dinner which we all later enjoyed. Pray for us in Illinois.—Leonard Newton, state superintendent.

REVIVALS

OCEANA, W. Va.—I praise God for His goodness to me and for the revival recently conducted in our home. About six souls were blessed and we were greatly encouraged.

The enemy was on the job and as we tried to expose him and preach the truth he afflicted us in body for about a week. I suffered intense pain with what seemed to be mastoid trouble. There are no Church of God people here other than I, so I sent for Brother and Sister Jackson to pray for me. They are not in the Church but we kept holding on and trusting Jesus until victory came. One Sunday I was in bed all day. My husband kept asking me if I would not be able to preach that night. I said Sister Jackson could take my place, but I got up and preached that night. We had a glorious service. I have been up ever since. Praise the Lord. Pray for us here at Oceana.—Mrs. Lelia Thompson.

Question Box

Question: Please explain Matt. 5:3, "Blessed are the poor in spirit." What is the meaning of "poor in spirit"?—*S. T. P.*

Answer: The Apostle James tells us that God resists the proud but giveth grace to the humble, so those who are humble before God are those who are poor in spirit, and it is those upon whom the blessings of God will come. He does not condescend to bless those who are proud and haughty.

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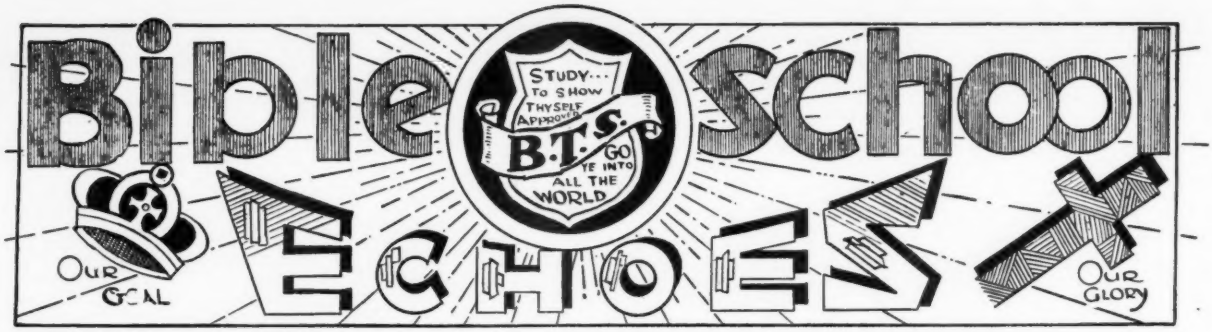
Question: What is the difference between soul and spirit? and what happens to the soul, spirit, and body after death? —*K. B.*

Answer: The word "spirit" in the Old Testament is taken from the Hebrew word "ruwoch" and means "wind" or "breath." In the New Testament is "pneuma" and means "breath" or "breeze," so in Gen. 2:7 we have the words "And the Lord God formed man out of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." In this passage we have all three—spirit, soul, and body—distinctly shown. God made or formed man out of the dust of the earth, that is, the body. God breathed into man the breath or spirit of life, then man became a living soul, so man is a living soul. The word "soul" all through the Old Testament is used for people. Exod. 1:5, "And all the souls that came out of the loins of Jacob were seventy souls: for Joseph was in Egypt already." Here the descendants of Jacob are called souls. According to Eccl. 12:7, at death the spirit shall return unto God who gave it. Where the soul shall go depends on how the man has lived. The rich man in Luke 12:20 was told, "This night shall thy soul be required of thee," that is, an account must be given, then life or death eternal awaited the man, according to that which judgment would determine. The body at death goes to corruption. Read 1 Cor. 15:42, "So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption." Again, in verse 54, "So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality," thus signifying that the bodies of those who die shall putrefy. The spirit therefore returns to God and the soul is either to go to hell or to be blessed in the realms of bliss and the body will putrefy in the grave.

Spirituality is God lifted up in the life and self cast down, and the devil cast out, God occupying the whole house, having a key to every room in it.



Sentiments of B.T.S. Students

Crisp winter winds, bringing flurries of snowflakes to Sevierville, Tenn., have brought to the memory of many a Bible School student recollections of home "fireside" scenes where the entire family has gathered to rehearse events of the day or inspirations which have enriched the soul. We feel the sentiment of the entire student body, if expressed tonight, would be "Hearty greetings to you fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, relatives, and friends the world over. We are praying for you." The thorough performance of our school duties, promoted by a determination to take advantage of the grand opportunity before us to become more deeply established in the truth of God's Word, occupies a very well-rounded day. We are so happy to be here!

Our hearts are deeply stirred oftentimes when we stop our activity long enough to observe and listen to the various signs of a student body preparing itself for better service in the army of King Jesus. Hark, in yonder classroom we hear someone patiently practising his or her music lesson. Undoubtedly, many a prayer has been breathed to God for endurance to master the use of that particular instrument for future service. Then we detect a sound of voices blended in prayer in some classroom. Every class is begun with prayer. Just this week a certain class, responding to a spirit of prayer which settled down upon them, prayed on through their regular 45-minute period and continued through several class periods, others joining them. What shouts of victory and evidences of satisfied "customers"! Truly they had been with Jesus. Each morning from 7:00 to 9:00 every student occupies a place in an assigned study hall. These study periods are also preceded by prayer, sometimes leading into a real prayer meeting. Such a prayer meeting was experienced recently, continuing until the midnight hour and maybe later. In fact, prayer can be heard ascending from somewhere in the buildings almost every hour of the day. We realize that without the presence and evidences of the Lord in our hearts and lives we have no drawing power to influence the lost to accept Christ.

It has been said, "Lamps don't talk, they shine." Oh, if we will only draw nigh unto God, to that haven of blessed confidence, and visualize through spiritual eyes the crying millions who are longing for an experience of salvation that will grant them assurance; if we will be still before Him until we can hear their desperate plea, "How can I get right with God? Is there no salvation that is sure?" won't we be careful to walk circumspectly before Him who has "called us with an holy calling," by the way of the Cross where His Son spilled His precious life-blood for the salvation of this entire world? By our fruits they shall know us!

It is marvelous how the welfare of the student body is being considered by the faculty and those in authority. Many of our most valuable lessons are learned outside of the classroom, some of which are difficult to learn until we realize they are for our own good, and it is best to submit humbly and embrace them so enthusiastically that others may see a blessing involved. Surely we are grateful for these Holy-Ghost-filled leaders; many having learned through experience and who are willing and anxious that we should profit thereby.

Each Friday afternoon service is conducted entirely by the students. This Friday, Nov. 15, the Florida students rendered the program with Sister Lockie Bird Whitner in charge. Speakers were Brother Phillips, Brother Harris, Sister Ruth Waters, and Brother Hunt, present pastor of the local Church of God in Sevierville. These messages were all very edifying. Musical selections included a group song led by Brother Paul Shumaker; duet by Sister Alma Peterson and Sister Ruth Waters; and "This Old World Is Not My Home" by the faithful Florida girls' quartet whose names have appeared on this page before.

"We fain would send some word of warmest gladness,
Some word of uplift, and of truest cheer;
For—myriad are the things and themes of sadness,
Which come to meet us with each passing year.

"The presence here; the glad and sweet communion!
The wondrous welcome waiting over there!
The Father's house, and with those there what union!
And endless joys, which cannot here compare."

From "Unchanging Blessings," by J. Danson Smith.

—Ruby Thompson, student.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Many books have been sent to the B.T.S. library, for which we are very thankful. Honorary membership has been added to the B.T.S. Library Club. This may be obtained by donating $25.00 in books or in cash to the Junior Class for the school library. Those books must value $25.00 when donated. Honorary membership cards will be given to all honorary members and if this card is presented at the closing of this term of school, the bearer will be given, free of charge, room and meals for the last two days of the closing exercises.

Send all books and donations to the B.T.S. Library Club, Sevierville, Tenn. The best way to send books is by mail, marked "Book Rate." This is much cheaper than any other way.—Clyde Case, president, Junior Class.

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How the Lord Undertook for Me

To whom it may concern: Hello and greetings in Jesus' dear name, to everybody. I am getting along fine and enjoying the school and the mixing and mingling with brothers and sisters in the Lord. The Lord is surely with us because He takes charge of many classes and really blesses our souls. The spiritual atmosphere of the school is wonderful.

I am due the Lord praises and thanks-

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Foreign Missions

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary of Mission Board

Response To The Mission Call

Rev. Joseph Benjamin Camp, appointed overseer of the Island of Jamaica at the last General Assembly, is now on his way to his work. The family will be stationed at Lake Worth, Florida, until Brother Camp makes a trip to Jamaica and looks over his work. He will make the trip by plane.

In the year 1934, Brother Camp came to Chattanooga, Tennessee, from the State of Washington, as the minister of a Pentecostal organization quite prominent in the West. He anticipated establishing a church in the City of Chattanooga but one day as he was driving through the city something got wrong with his car and he stopped right in front of where the ladies of the North Chattanooga Church of God were having prayer meeting. He and his family became acquainted with some of those who were at the prayer service and later they attended the church at North Chattanooga. He established a mission in South Chattanooga and your editor, who was then pastor of the church in North Chattanooga, preached for him several times. Brother Camp later established a mission in Alton Park, but after all of his trip to Tennessee from the State of Washington, he finally decided that it was not to set up another church but rather that he himself might become acquainted with and added to the Church of God, so in a few weeks he became a member of the North Chattanooga church and was licensed to preach from that church.

The following spring he went to Florida to the camp meeting and did evangelistic work in that state until the Assembly when he accepted the Linden district. After a year's work in Florida, he had a desire to return to his home state to work there, and was accordingly appointed overseer of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. Brother Camp's work has been very faithful in those states, and God's smile of approval was upon him, but at the last of this year he seemed to feel the call to the foreign fields, gathering assuredly that God was leading him out to spend the rest of his days in mission work. The call pressed so heavily upon him until God opened up the way and soon he will be in his field of labor meeting those precious brethren of the Island of Jamaica, who are laboring there to carry on for God and His Church. He is therefore introduced to those who have contributed articles to this page, and to the hundreds of others, both ministry and laity, in that beautiful tropical isle.

REV. J. B. CAMP, Overseer of Jamaica and Grand Turks Is.

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WEST PROSPECT, B. W. I. — We thank the dear Lord for a wonderful revival which started here July 1 and lasted until the 28th. Two were filled with the precious Holy Ghost, two reclaimed, seven added to the church and many seekers are still crowding the altar. We had a visit from our district overseer, in the midst of our revival, which brought more blessings to us. We are now looking forward. We had the Lord's Supper and feet washing. We thank God for everything, for He did it all. Pray for us. We thank the dear Lord for stirring up our Sunday School and church by the Holy Ghost. We had fifty-seven on roll and the outlook is very prosperous. We desire your prayers that God may ever lead the way for us.—T. Golding.

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We are glad to report victory through the blood, not through the blood of goats, but the blood of Jesus Christ. We had a very good meeting in connection with our building on the last Monday of this month. Our beloved district pastor, Brother W. A. Shaw, was with us. The chairman was Brother Wilson. I think he was the right man in the right place. Dear Brother Miller, our present pastor, is willing to do his best. We also had some of the dear ones from headquarters with us. They rendered some lovely pieces. We had a good time. Pray that we will soon be able to put up our building, also pray that when the Lord shall call for us we will be ready to go.—Mrs. Amy Reid, Clifton, Half Way Tree, 37 Red Hill R. D., Jam., B. W. I.

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The Church Is Moving On

CLARENDON, PEDRO, Jam., B.W.I. —I praise God with my whole heart because the Church of God at Pedro is moving on. I remember when she looked like she was under a shadow, and somebody suggested that the church break up and the few members go to Kellits, to the nearest Church of God, but we got down in prayer and in a very short time a revival started and souls began to be saved. We also thank God for our local pastor, Deacon J. T. Johnson. He is a very faithful man; never gives up, but keeps us encouraged all the time, and we

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LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

An Interpretation of Current Events in the Light of Holy Prophecy

"Now, learn a parable of the fig tree: when his branch is yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh," Matt. 24:32.

By JUDGE SULLIVAN

"Our consciences hold us to the teachings of the Great Master. We believe those teachings to mean what they say, and we find in them instructions to have nothing to do with the mass killing which is called war." With those words addressed to a Judge of the United States Court in New York last week, eight young men endeavored to justify their refusal to register for the draft. They were sentenced to serve a year and a day in the Federal Prison. This column neither approves nor condemns. Their consciences will be with them when they stand in the judgment. The act of registration does not mean enlisting for nor approving of war. It merely means that the government has our name and address in case our services are needed. If and when that hour comes is the time and the only time to set forth our objections. The act of these young men points, however, to the attitude of the public mind in this all important question of war.

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The *American Magazine* for November has a very interesting article on the making and consumption of intoxicating wines. AMERICAN WINE MAKING IS A BILLION DOLLAR INDUSTRY. AMERICA'S WINE BILL THIS YEAR WILL BE THREE HUNDRED MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. America buys 85,000,000 gallons of wine this year. That averages, says the article, slightly more than five pints per person. An amazing commentary to make when we consider the perils of the day in which we live. I suppose a godless generation needs something to take their minds and thoughts from the hum-drum of reality. However, God's people have a wine which the world knows not of.

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Both press and radio have announced the authorization for the eating of dog meat in Germany. This action was taken last week. The radio commentator said further that in restaurants one could get a sizeable order of "dog pork" without sacrificing any points on his or her ration card. Pitiful and sad. Horses have been a staple article of diet in some of those warring countries for some time. The eating of dog, however, is new.

The following "ads" of a religious nature have appeared in various papers in late weeks: "You have a right to know the hidden truth. What facts of life were concealed in the Middle Ages? What ancient truths were withheld by church and state for centuries? Why did tyrants fear these findings? Do you want to know the astounding truths about these mysteries and learn how they can help you? Then send for the fascinating book, etc."

"God gave it to me for you. Magna Power, magnetic God Force. Since the night of that vision I have told the multitudes and thousands who have come to my Temple of Divine Wisdom to listen, to marvel, to be blessed. You may learn of this revelation. Success, health and happiness await you. Write, etc." Two of them appeared in the same pages of one magazine. Those fellows with their balderdash and filth are making a good living hoodwinking the gullible people who have rejected Christ and the right so long that they are ready to swallow anything that will bring a ray of hope for the present or for the hereafter. DELUSIONS! DELUSIONS! DELUSIONS!

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The following editorial is from a prominent daily newspaper: "The last 65 square miles of light in Central Europe went out Wednesday night. Liechtenstein, little principality between Switzerland and Germany, ordered a blackout. The tiny nation feared, as Switzerland has, that her neutrality might be endangered if belligerent bombers should use their Liechtenstein lights as a guide to their targets. So it goes in Europe, the strong nations gobbling up the weak or menacing them to such an extent that they constantly live in fear. There's something symbolical about this blackout of tiny Liechtenstein; something that augers ill for the civilization and culture that the world has known." Yes, practically all Europe and much of Asia and Africa are in darkness and even on this continent people are subject to attack from enemy planes. Perhaps sooner than we think, the blackout will be brought home to us.

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Damon Runyon, brilliant journalist, has the following to say: "Among the gentle hypocrisies that still exist in this country is the one that finds various states PARTNERS IN GAMBLING ON HORSE AND DOG RACING while prohibiting such pastimes as shooting craps, chuckaluck or the faro bank. These diversions are not only illegal in all the states of the union but their practise is frowned upon by the church element, THOUGH IN MANY PLACES THAT ELEMENT IS NOT INDISPOSED TOWARD A LITTLE SPORT CALLED BINGO IN THEIR HOUSES OF WORSHIP." Bunyan makes the point that if gambling, per se, is wrong, then the backing of it by the state makes it no less sinful. Many states are legally in the whiskey and wine business. Many states have made a racket of the whiskey business. In some states it is illegal to purchase whiskey unless you purchase it from state owned stores. Those same states are against the Capones, the Dillingers, etc., and are themselves engaged in more destructive enterprises than those hardened criminals.

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I have heretofore mentioned in these pages something about the famine that is expected this winter. In *Colliers* for Nov. 23, Former President Herbert Hoover has the following to say: "Famine and pestilence are on the march in Europe in this second winter of this second World War. They will not come to the belligerents but to the innocent victims of the war. Particularly will famine come to Finland, Belgium, Norway, Holland, and Central Poland who fought and suffered for the Allied cause. Of these 37,000,000 people more than 15,000,000 are children. . . . As famine and disease rise with the winter, the cries of these people will ascend above any press censorship, any war hysteria, or any government official. The wheat crop is 340,000,000 bushels short. A shortage of food exists in Spain, Rumania, Jugoslavia, Bulgaria, Hungary, and all the Balkan countries with their 50,000,000 people. . . . We hear much of the purposes for which this war is being fought. They include the upholding of the standards of Christianity. One of the major distinctions of the Christian faith is mercy and compassion. . . . We

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Reports From the Field

Kentucky Colored Convention A Success

HARLAN, Ky.—Dear Evangel Readers, holy greetings from the Church of God (colored) at Harlan, Ky., and pastor, Bishop Ed Johnson. The convention was a spiritual and financial success. We thank God for our state moderator, Bishop David LaFleur, who was in charge of our state convention.

It was also a blessing to have our Overseer of the Colored Work, Bishop Marcelle, with us. Many good blessings came from above. The proceeds for our state mission treasury were $35.85. We were blessed to send a donation of money and dry goods to our orphans' home in Florida, by our state president, Sister Marcelle.

The Lord blessed in a wonderful way Sunday through our pastor, Bishop Ed Johnson. Pray for us; we are expecting the Lord to save souls.—State treasurer, Sister Zella Francis (colored).

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SALEM, S. C.—I requested prayer some time ago for the healing of my head. Praise the Lord, it was healed by the time the letter reached you. I thank the Lord for all who prayed for me and for the anointed cloths that were sent. May the Lord bless you is my prayer.—P. L. Burrell, Rt. 1.

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MALLORY, W. Va.—I thank and praise the Lord for what He means to me. I am glad I can report victory in my soul. I thank the Lord for His healing power. About three months ago I fell and hurt my leg. Infection set up and I had to have it operated on. I stayed in the hospital three weeks and came home trusting God that He would heal me. My leg didn't get any better, so I received an anointed cloth from Brother Waldon Asher. When it was placed on my leg it began to get better, thank God, and I could get out of bed and go on my crutches. Thanks be to God. How good He is to us.

This last Assembly I sent a handkerchief by a sister who went to be anointed and when I received it, it was placed on my leg. I threw my crutches down and began to walk and I have been walking ever since. Thank God for His power to heal.

Saints, please pray for me that I will get closer to Jesus and be found faithful at all times and be ready when He calls or comes for me.—Mrs. Rosa Stalfe.

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BONIFAY, Fla.—We are so glad to say we are on our way to heaven and have the sweet peace of Jesus in our souls and enjoying the good, rich, heavenly blessings from the Lord. We still feel the good heavenly fire burning in our souls. The Lord has been real and souls are being blessed. God is blessing in giving out His good Word. We may be strangers to some people, but when God's people meet we can feel that sweet love of Jesus and we are not strangers though we may not know each one by name.

When we arrived here we found a building spirit and the first Sunday night we got $92 pledged on the new church and many others are ready to help. Precious people, it pays to obey. We prayed and prayed for the Lord to just send us where He wanted us another year, or just where He could use us the best, or we could do the most good. That's where we wanted to be, and we feel like it's good to be here. True, it's hard to give up good friends, brothers and sisters in Christ, but I could say, "Lord, your will be done." Some may say, "Well, I can't live on as small amount," but Jesus said man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God. What someone may say about a hard place or no money doesn't in the least discourage us, for Jesus has already been too real to us for us to stand back on finance. I well remember where I was sitting one June camp meeting at Wimauma when Brother H. L. Whittington preached conviction on my heart and told of some of his experiences in starting out in the ministry. I was working, drawing my pay at that time, trying to get things which I thought I had to have before I could go, but when he told of how he would stand behind the door waiting for his good wife to get his shirt ready to go to fill his appointments, and started out without money, right then and there I said, "Yes, Lord, that's sufficient; I'm willing." From that year on we have been working for Jesus and believe we can truly say we have trusted Jesus for all, both soul and body. We've never regretted the day. When we saw the power of God dance Brother Whittington around as he sang at the Assembly, it made our mind run back to the night when we heard him preach under the great anointing power of Jesus. May God ever help me to fill my place and always do my best for Jesus, for we may never know what soul it is for.

Pray for a soul here who is unsaved and has a cancer on his lip and said he heard me testify to the Lord healing me of cancer. Now he is seeking to be saved and healed. If you feel led, fast. I know Jesus is still in the healing business for He has healed me many times. Just a few nights ago the Lord wonderfully touched my body when I had an awful cold, almost choking and smothering. The saints came in and prayed; I felt victory and had a good night's rest, got up next day and have been up since. At the Assembly I was healed of an ailment of long standing. I give Jesus all the praise, for He is so good to us. If we live right and trust Him, He will help us.

I feel that we are on the road to great victory this year in west Florida. If you want to feel a warm welcome, come to Bonifay. I must not fail to mention our good L.W.W.B. here. It is doing a great work and going on for the Lord. We surely appreciate everyone; all are so mindful of us. There are many good things to be said but time and space will not allow me to tell all. May the Lord bless everyone is my prayer.—Lela Culpepper.

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Much to Praise God For

FAIRMOUNT, Ga.—Dear Saints, it gives me the greatest of pleasure to be able to tell the world that God saw fit to save, sanctify and give me the blessed Holy Ghost. It's more wonderful to me than anything in this world because it keeps me from sin every day, not just one day or part of the day, but thank God, every day. Praise the Lord. And I can lie down at night and sleep, no matter what kind of trouble is stirring about. That's more than this old world can do. I often think that if all the worldly people knew what a sweet blessed relief the sweet Holy Ghost was and what a good feeling He gave you, they would all seek Him because they're all hunting easy places and seeking rest and a good feeling and finding none, because sin is of the devil and there is no rest in it, day nor night.

I thank God that I have a sweet peace that the old world can't get. The only thing that worries me is my husband. He has been saved and God has wonderfully blessed him time after time, but he soon forgets and goes back in sin. He has healed him when no doctor could do any good. Once he was hurt on a log wagon which broke and crushed his leg. He went to the doctor after it began to heal and the doctor sent him to Rome to the Harbin Hospital. The same day the same doctor told my father that my husband was as good as dead, that there wasn't one chance in five hundred for him. He said he had been practising for twenty-seven years and he had had only one other case of the lockjaw in that time. He sent the man to the same hospital and he died the third day. Daddy came on to our house to see my husband but didn't tell him

what the doctor said. Mother had the Holy Ghost, her nearest neighbor had Him and a preacher and his wife and my sister all lived near, so mother sent word to all to pray for him. He went on to the hospital for treatment and instead of treating him the doctor told him to use salts in as hot water as he could bear and pour over his leg. Saints, do you think a thing like that could possibly heal the lockjaw? No! God did the healing. Praise His wonderful name.

The next week the same doctor looked at him and said, "I didn't think I'd ever see you alive today, old boy," and I just had to tell the doctor that God did the healing. Glory!

Then the second time, on July 29, 1938, a log about twenty-two inches in diameter rolled on him, breaking his pelvis and pushing his right hip three inches up his backbone and pulling three joints of his backbone apart. He lay in bed flat on his back one hundred and six days and two doctors told him he'd never be able to walk again, but thank God, this fourth day of November, 1940, he is working and making us a living again. Can I ever thank God enough? Saints, it does not seem like I can, and why he won't accept Christ and live a right life is more than I can see, though every time I pray and ask God to save him before it's too late the sweet Holy Ghost witnesses. I can't understand but sometimes I feel like he will come through some day, but it's getting so late in the day now I am afraid he will put it off till too late after all, and the one thing in this world worth living for is to see the sweet Holy Ghost move his body before it is too late, so please, please, if you have ever earnestly prayed for one thing, pray for God to save him before it's too late. He knows I live a straight and clean life before him and he can't condemn it, for in every way I can understand the Spirit I let God lead my life. It's hard sometimes but God is on the throne, praise God, and always helps me over every temptation. The only way I can ever anyway near repay Him is by obeying and holding His dear name above all things.

Pray that my life will always be a light for sinners to see Christ in, and pray for my dear mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Sanford, and sister, that our lives will lead my lost sisters and brothers and in-laws to accept Christ before it is too late.—Mrs. A. E. Young, Rt. 1.

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COMBS, Ky.—We praise God for what He has been to us, especially this past year, because He answered our prayers for a good pastor. He answered our prayers by sending us a man wholly willing to work for God and His Church, Brother James Dixon. He is also our pastor for the coming year. He has surely worked hard for the building of the church house we have here. Truly if God be for us who can be against us? We also thank God for the L.W.W.B. and the willing cooperation it has given our pastor.

On Oct. 27 two were baptized in water and four added to the church. We expect to do more and better work for God than ever before. We can do great things through Christ who strengthens us.

May God call many more with the zest and zeal of God, to work for Him and the cause. We thank God for all He is to us because every good and perfect gift cometh from above.—The Church of God at Combs.

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BASSINGER, Fla.—I thank God for salvation which keeps me the year round. I am young in both age and spirit, have had salvation only about eight months and am only twenty-one years of age, but I wish I had given my life to Christ when I was much younger. I praise God for the way He leads me on from victory to victory and helps me over every trial and temptation. I served the devil, and I mean served him for about fifteen or sixteen years, but one night God's call was so great until I could not resist Him.

This finds me saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. I thank God for the way He hears and answers my prayers from time to time. You who have grown cold and you who are thinking about turning back, think of the way Christ died on the cross to save you and me from a devil's hell. Friends, let's press on and be ready to meet Him whether He comes or calls. I don't see how it can be much longer till our blessed Savior comes. I ask each one who knows the worth of prayer to pray for God to answer my requests.—A young brother in Christ, Alva Thomas.

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KANNAPOLIS, N. C.—I am saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and have a well-made-up mind to live right and see what the end will be and see what a child gets for living holy until the end. Pray for me. I am a young man and I want to be strong enough to trust God for both soul and body and I want every one who reads this to pray for me. I have been saved for two years and I am not strong enough to trust God like I want to yet. I read so much about other people trusting God and I want to do that too. Praise the dear Lord for the dear ones in Austinville, Va. Pray that the Lord will ever bless them.—Tommie Lee Harris (colored), Gen. Del.

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ST. LOUIS, Mo.—For sometime we have felt impressed to write to the Evangel and praise the Lord for the way He has answered prayer in our home. So many times we have called on Him and He has heard our prayer. Last winter our baby had hemorrhages and we didn't think she would live, but prayer was requested of the saints and she was healed. Then in June she was very sick again and we know God answered prayer again. She has a very severe cough now, and has had for several weeks, but we know God can heal her, so we ask the saints to join us in prayer again that she will be made completely well. We are so thankful that we have a home of prayer, and we trust that we can keep it that way. Pray for us to stay true until Jesus comes.—Mr. and Mrs. Mike Creason, 4303 A Hunt Ave.

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HAZLEHURST, Ga.—I praise God for being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and fire and for being a member of the great Church of God. I praise God for all His blessings and for His great healing power. I have been sick ever since Monday dinner, with an abscessed tooth, and last night it hurt me so badly it seemed I could not bear the pain. I prayed until two o'clock and told the Lord if He would heal it I would write to the Evangel and tell how He had healed. I went to bed and slept good the rest of the night and this morning the tooth does not hurt. Praise God.

My baby's head rose and God healed her. He healed my husband this year of a spell of fever.

Pray for us that we will be faithful and be soul winners for Jesus till He comes or calls.—Mrs. G. E. Poole, Rt. 3.

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PLANT CITY, Fla.—I praise God for saving, sanctifying, and filling me with the Holy Ghost about twenty-two years

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Reports of Revivals

ENID, Okla.—A revival was held here with Brother Edward Combs and his wife doing the preaching. Five souls were saved, four men and one woman, two were sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost, and three added to the church. All the church proper is fired up and burning brightly for Jesus. On the closing night, Nov. 10, the saints expressed their thanks to God for Brother and Sister Combs, and for much good that they had received during the revival. We assure you a blessing through God's Word by having them in a meeting. The longer they stay with you, the more you will like them.—F. H. Dance, 406 E. Maple.

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BRIDGEFORD, Ga.—Brother J. W. Murray closed a successful revival in Bridgeford Sunday night, Nov. 10. The revival ran three weeks and the interest was good throughout the services. Brother Murray preached some old-fashioned, soul-stirring, thought-provoking sermons which brought conviction to many hearts. Three people were saved, three sanctified and one baptized with the Holy Ghost. The altar was filled with seekers the closing night.

Please pray that God will give us a church here as this is a neglected field.—Mrs. W. T. Jones.

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POPLARVILLE, Miss.—We have just closed a great revival at Murray Hill Church of God in Pearl County, Miss., conducted by Brother Dewitt C. Sharpe, formerly of Morgantown, Miss., who is our state evangelist. Brother Sharpe was assisted in this meeting by his young son, Beasley, who plays the Hawaiian guitar while Brother Sharpe plays the Spanish guitar. Brother Sharpe also has a public address system which makes it possible for him to broadcast his wonderful sermons to the entire community. This revival was the best we have had in this section of the country. We had old time preaching, singing, shouting, and dancing under the mighty power of God, with signs following, people getting saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Thank God for a meeting like this.

Brother Sharpe is a real man of God and would prove a blessing to any church. He is a man of pleasing personality and meets the general public well. Anyone desiring a real Pentecostal revival should get in touch with him through our state overseer, Rev. J. L. Dorman, 1108 River Ave., Hattiesburg, Miss.—Julius C. Stanford, clerk.

The revival closed at the Little River, Mo., Church of God, J. W. King, pastor, with great success. Sister Bessie Jones of Knoxville, Tenn., did the preaching. The Word was given out under the power of the Holy Ghost. Thirty-one were saved, fourteen sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty baptized in water and thirteen added to the church. The closing night we observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. The church was greatly blessed and encouraged. Sister Jones will always be loved and remembered by her friends here.—Jimmie Bullock, clerk.

A Different Life

JASPER, Fla.—I praise the Lord because He has done so much for me. There is quite a contrast in my life now and when I was in sin. I wasn't a murderer or so very bad but still I needed the blood. Praise God, I am glad for the full blessing of being saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for us at Jasper.—Mrs. Doris Wood.

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Christmas Tree At The Girls' Orphanage Last Year

Many of the gifts were sent in by people from out on the field.

Recently we received a letter from Akron, Ohio, from a lady who was greatly interested in orphanage work and who reminded us that she was greatly touched at the 35th Annual Assembly when the orphanage play was put on and that she decided then and there she wanted to do something for the little fellows for Christmas, so she wrote and asked for the names and ages of all the girls in the home On their district, she said, they were trying to get a present for each of them. This gave us a thought, that perhaps the rest of the people out on the field would like to have a part in making the hearts of those who have no father nor mother to buy for them, glad on Christmas Day.

As you see in the picture, we attended the Christmas tree at the Girls' Home last year. We also had the privilege of attending the one at the Boys' Home, and it certainly was a gay time, that is, the little children seemed to be so thankful and so appreciative of what those on the field were doing and the way they remembered them.

Taking it for granted that you have a desire to do this again this year, we are submitting you herewith the ages of the boys and girls now in the homes.

At the Girls' Home we have:

1 two years of age
2 five years of age
1 six years of age
2 eight years of age
3 nine years of age
7 ten years of age
4 eleven years of age
2 twelve years of age
6 thirteen years of age
5 fourteen years of age
4 fifteen years of age
3 sixteen years of age
3 seventeen years of age
2 eighteen years of age
2 twenty years of age

Miss Genia Wiley is matron and Mrs. Roberta Dugan is assistant matron.

At the Boys' Home we have:

2 five years of age
6 eight years of age
14 ten years of age
16 fourteen years of age
8 fifteen years of age
4 between sixteen and seventeen
1 eighteen years of age

The manager is Clifford J. Eller, the head matron is Sister Eller, and the assistant matrons are Mrs. Robilee Ledford and Quincy Adams.

Don't forget the orphans at Christmas time and when you shop for your own children remember these who have no father nor mother to shop for them.

Revival

SHELBY, Ala.—We thank the Lord for the three weeks' revival held by Brothers Earl Phurrough and James Collier, in which there were six saved and two reclaimed. There was not a Church of God here when they came. Now there has been a church established with thirteen members and a Y.P.E. started. The Lord surely has blessed us and their labors. Our prayer is that the Lord will make them a blessing to others.—Quiller Hand, clerk.

Requests For Prayer

PRAY FOR—

The Lord to touch my body, I had an attack of something like appendicitis and am still weak; my eyes.—Mrs. E. D. Jones, Newport, N. C.

The healing of my body of nerve trouble; me to have more faith; a brother to be saved; an unspoken request; a revival. —Mrs. L. O. Godbee, Edgefield, S. C.

A friend to be filled with the Holy Ghost and healed of cancer; another who has a carbuncle and arsenic poison to be healed; my children to be healed of weak eyes and nervousness, our church.—Mrs. Walter Daughdrill, Rt. 1, Alabama City, Ala.

My husband; my sister and her husband to be saved; me to hold out faithful.—Mrs. Margaret Johnson, Rt. 3, Box 122A, Vicksburg, Miss.

The healing of Mrs. Ruth McCormick who is suffering intensely and is unsaved; my daughter-in-law that God will heal her; my son to be saved and return home. —Mrs. A. E. Thomas, 712 W. Hancock St., Lakeland, Fla.

The healing of my head which gives me much trouble and pain; the healing of my body.—Mrs. Emma Dedge, Haylow, Ga.

Me to be healed of heart trouble; my sister to be healed of stomach trouble.—Rev. Jim Lick, Swink, Okla.

The healing of my baby. It has something wrong with its legs which may cause it to be a cripple.—Mrs. Ada Taylor, c|o B. D. McCraw, Rt. 4, Box 238, Galax, Va.

Me to be healed of low blood pressure. —Ethel Bearden, Rt. 3, Scottsboro, Ala.

The young people in our community, most of them are unsaved; the healing of Sister Nellie Reed who has been sick a while and who is in a serious condition, the doctor said she could not live much longer but God can raise her up; my babies to be healed of colds, especially pray for my little baby, she cries and I think her ear must hurt; us to hold out faithful.—Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Roberts, Avera, Miss.

The healing of my husband, D. V.; us to be humble servants for Him; my little niece who is crippled to be healed. —Mrs. T. H. Alexander, 225 Trowbridge, Greenville, Ky.

Sam Proffitt to be healed of sinus trouble and a growth in his nose.—Hulda Proffitt, Rt. 2, Cosby, Tenn.

God to undertake for the complete healing of Brother James Lazarus who has T. B.; Sister Maggie Lazarus to be healed of rheumatic fever; their daughter, Odessa Strickland, to be healed of a lingering sickness.—Paul Taylor, Apopka, Fla.

Please pray a special prayer for Mrs. Patsy Gayness and her sister who are in an institution in Marion, Va.—Bee LaMonte.

The healing of my body; my unsaved husband; our home that it won't be broken up; God to make a way for me.—Mrs. Betty Lively, Box 156, Freeman, W. Va.

My baby who has been sick for sometime to be healed; my loved ones to be saved.—Gladys Yarbrough, Moniac, Ga.

The healing of my body which is very badly afflicted; me to stand true and faithful and raise my family as the Lord would have me to.—Ralph Boswell, Heflin, Ala.

My lost loved ones to be saved; the healing of my mother, she is so sickly nearly all the time; the Lord to give me my sight; me to ever stand true.—Howard Collier, Box 455, Talladega, Ala.

The healing of our little girl of a bad cough and lung trouble; two unspoken requests. Fast if led. Me and my husband to get closer to the Lord; my husband to overcome some trials; God to make a way for us financially; my unsaved brother who is in prison.—Sarah Goble, Lebanon, Ga.

Me and a friend to receive the Holy Ghost; me to be healed.—Dewey Johnson, Hardburly, Ky.

The healing and salvation of Mr. Mays, Skyline Sta., Rt. 1, Scottsboro, Ala., who is at the point of death with cancer; Mrs. Sam Smith, N. Hillsboro Ave., Arcadia, Fla., that God will restore her eyesight and completely heal her of every disease and give her good use of herself.—Mrs. Florida A. Smith, 224 N. Hillsboro Ave., Arcadia, Fla.

The healing and salvation of my brother who is in the hospital. He has a large kidney stone and it looks as though he will have to have an operation. He is so weakly and it seems he will not be able to undergo it unless God undertakes. —Mrs. Annie Laurie Smith, Valdese, N. C.

Me to be healed of high blood pressure, internal trouble and nervousness.—Eleanor (Verrico) Lutz, 30 N. Church St., Ephrata, Pa.

Our baby to be healed of something like a large wart which bursts and bleeds at times.—Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Martin, Closplint, Ky.

Two very urgent unspoken requests. Fast if led. Me to be true.—Agnes West, Rt. 2, Box 13, Lake City, Fla.

Me to be completely healed; my loved ones to be saved; my mother to be healed of head trouble; unspoken request; the Lord to give me faith. — Mrs. M. E. Barnes, Columbus, Ga.

Me to be drawn closer to God and protected from sin and disease; my father and two brothers. — Pvt. Charles H. Wall, Co. B., 11th Engineers, Fort Clayton, Canal Zone.

The healing of Gordon Collier who is in Atlanta, Ga., hospital receiving treatments for cancers on both sides of his face, also pray that he will be saved.—Mrs. Tom Forehand, Tice, Fla.

The healing of my baby who got his legs badly burned; me to draw closer to the Lord; unspoken requests.—Mrs. W. M. Power, Rt. 2, Stewart, Miss.

Me to be healed; my husband and children to be saved and receive the Holy Ghost; unspoken request; my kidneys to be healed.—Lilure Herman, 923 Long St., Greenville, Miss.

Me to be healed of something like kidney trouble; my faith to be strengthened. —Mrs. Nettie Massey, Roswell, Ga.

Me to be saved; the meeting here; my body to be healed of pain and worries; my mother to be healed and able to go to church again; my husband, father, sister, brothers and friends; my home to be one pleasing to God. — Mrs. Allie McNeal, Quincy, W. Va.

The healing of my body and salvation of my soul; Lillie Moore, Rt. 3, Ellijay, Ga., to be healed, the doctor says she has cancer.—Tom Smith, Talking Rock, Ga.

The healing and salvation of a neighbor who is in the hospital; her husband to be delivered of a habit and saved; her children. If the Lord doesn't undertake, she won't be here long.—Mrs. J. J. Burner, 208 Henry St., Rt. 1, Chillicothe, Mo.

Dear Saints, I am a young man twenty-seven years of age. I am a member of the Church of God at Sumiton, Ala. I have the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I have a wife and she also belongs to the Church of God. I have been a member for the last eight years. I have an affliction on my body which hinders me from public works. I have epileptic attacks.

I know God can heal because He has healed so many. Pray that this request will be a success in the hands of the Lord. —Cecil Tear, Sumiton, Ala.

My husband to be healed of asthma. He has had to breathe so hard his lungs are sore. Pray that if it is God's will for us to leave here and go to a different climate, that He will make a way. Pray that God will keep His hand upon us and lead us. We do not get to be in services as we live too far from church.—Mrs. Wm. Elliott, Folly Beach, S. C.

Please pray for the healing of my throat. I have been called to preach but

have been greatly hindered. Pray that God will undertake and remove the obstruction from my throat, plant words of wisdom and knowledge in my soul, give me spiritual power and a will to go preach the gospel. — Samuel P. Hicks, Gen. Del., Evarts, Ky.

Me to be healed and get closer to the Lord. I need food for my soul.—Mattie Lou Ray, Rt. 3, Box 97, Albany, Ga.

The healing of my body. I am old but I know God can heal and I would like to get out on the battlefield again.—S. C. Webster, Merigold, Miss.

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ago. I have been trusting God for the healing of my body ever since. Pray for me that I will make this run successfully. —Mrs. Lucy D. Tindle, Rt. 2, Box 338.

PERSONAL WORK

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mendeth his love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." I believe that more than 100,000 people could be converted in a great city in a day if they only believed that scripture. The love of God should be lived, preached, and practised by the burden-bearers of the world and the disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Let me ask you a question, Christian. If Christ means so much to you, why don't you make Him mean that much to others? My firm conviction is that Jesus Christ in His precepts dwells in the hearts of man. "Yes, Brother Jones, I believe that." Well, if that is so, it is also my conviction that if Jesus Christ dwells in your house it won't be long before He will be seen looking out of the windows.

In John 9:5 Christ says, "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." But now He is gone away and left us as His ambassadors with the admonition:

Matt. 5:14-16, "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

In Matt. 5:13, Christ says, "Ye are the salt of the earth." Salt creates thirst. Do our lives create a thirst in sinners that nothing will satisfy but the Water of Life?

Rev. 22:17, "The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

Bring Them In

Luke 14:23, "And the Lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."

In this instance, when the chosen people made excuses and would not come in, the lord sent his servants out into the highways to bring in all who would come.

Are we our Lord's servants? Rom. 6:16, "Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey." We, then, as servants of God should go to sinners and not always wait until they voluntarily come.

Jesus is our great example and the Bible says in Matt. 18:11 that Jesus came to seek and to save that which was lost. In Luke 15:3-7 Jesus speaks the parable of the good shepherd who did not wait for the lost sheep to come back to the fold, but left the ninety and nine who were safe, to seek out the one who was lost.

The Bible speaks in Luke 10:30-35 about a certain man who went down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell among thieves who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him and departed, leaving him half dead. After the priest and the Levite passed him by on the other side, a good Samaritan came along, went to him and ministered unto him. This Samaritan did not wait for the wounded man to come to him but went to where he was. Sinners were robbed of their likeness to God when Adam transgressed, and were wounded by sin. Then it is our duty as Christians to go to them, bind up their wounds and take them to the inn, which is a keeping place, representing the Church. It is our duty to speak to people who are deprived of coming to church, such as those in hospitals, jails, etc., and bring them into the fold.

During a revival service a man prayed for the conversion of a friend, and said: "O Lord, touch my friend with your finger, with your finger, O Lord." Just then an inner voice said: "You are God's finger. Did you ever speak to your friend concerning his soul's salvation? You go and touch the man and your prayer shall be heard."

Hand-picked fruit is the best, and hand-picking is the best way to get the fruit. It is personal work that tells. Five minutes of private personal entreaty will often accomplish more in winning a soul to Christ than five months of public preaching.

We should be as the salesman who hunts out his customer and not as the clerk who waits for his customer to come to him. It is easy to stand and wait for somebody to come and tell you what he wants, but it takes a man with a backbone to go to the people and tell them what they need. Therefore, we, as Christians, should do as Jesus has told us and go into the highways and compel them to come, that His house might be filled.

Leaves From the Fig Tree

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cannot as a Christian nation dismiss our concern that some solution be found by which they may be saved. Perhaps some will remember the condemnation which has echoed over centuries of the priest and the Levite who passed by on the other side. And perhaps some will remember that the greatest Teacher of all time did not allow His immortal vision to be clouded by a debate on the previous sins of those who 'stripped him of his raiment and wounded him . . . leaving him half dead.' . . . He had compassion on him."

The foregoing excerpts mean more to us than the appalling fact that millions of our fellow men are and will be hungry and perhaps dying of starvation. IT WILL ALSO MEAN THAT THE WORDS OF THE SON OF GOD ARE BEING FULFILLED. "FAMINE." "PESTILENCES."

Arkansas Ministers' Meeting

Well, Nov. 7, 8 has come and gone—the date for the Arkansas ministers' meeting, and it was one of the best if not the best yet. God so wonderfully blessed in everything. Such love, such unity that prevailed during the entire meeting! In all the business transactions the Lord was present.

On the opening night, Nov. 7, our state overseer, Brother Burroughs, preached for us and it was one of the greatest messages I have ever heard, "Let God Set Us Afire." It was a timely and blessed message. The power of God was present in a great way. It seemed to come down in great waves. Oh hallelujah! We also had our beloved Brother R. P. Johnson with us. He brought the morning message on Nov. 8, also the night message. We thought he had done his best and could not be beat but I think he did even better that night. When he began to preach on "Our Indebtedness" we were made to realize just what we did owe our Father, His Son and the Holy Ghost, also the Church of God. We are proud to know we are privileged to belong to the Church of God. I don't think Brother Johnson has ever preached better. We all love him and extend to him a hearty invitation to come back soon to Arkansas.

The church at Lepanto, Ark., also presented Brother Johnson with a beautiful quilt. We all came away from this meeting inspired and with a mind to work for God and His church this year. We all have already learned to love our new overseer, Brother Burroughs, and family, and we do appreciate them so much. Pray for us in Arkansas.—Sister Ollie Sue Johnson, convention clerk, 2522 Maple St., Little Rock, Ark.

Mission Page

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pray the clouds away. I remember what Jesus said to Peter, "Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

September 15-17 we had our dear Bishop C. T. Johnson with us, who carried our baptismal service on. Sunday morning we marched to the riverside. Two candidates were buried with Christ in water baptism. The sermon was delivered by Brother David Wilson and response was made by our bishop. We went back to our tabernacle and the service was conducted by our dear bishop. The Word of God pricked the hearts of the unsaved and the blessing began to follow. Three were saved before he left the rostrum. Monday the speakers were in place to preach on their subjects. The blessing of God still followed Tuesday, and fasting continued. Tuesday night the Lord's Supper and feet washing were observed. The blessing of God came down in every service. Three took fellowship with the church. Twenty-nine souls were at the altar Monday night and prayed through. Tuesday night it was full again and they prayed through. We praise God for the way the Lord is leading our dear bishop and the way he is leading the flock. I can honestly say he is feeding his flock well. Pray for us. We are having a hard fight but many members of other churches are looking toward the Church of God. We are on the winning side.—C. A. Lee.

Home-Coming at Westernport, Md.

WESTERNPORT, Md.—We had a wonderful home-coming. Brother W. J. Milligan preached an inspiring sermon for us Sunday morning. We were glad to have our esteemed state overseer with us. We had good singing and music. At 12:30 p. m. we had dinner. Thank God for the good women at Westernport and their cooperation. When we went downstairs there was a table twenty-two feet long and four feet wide full of everything good. When we assembled again we had more music and singing. We were then favored with an inspiring message from Brother B. F. Cooper, pastor of Kitzmiller church here on our district.

Sunday night Brother Milligan preached for us again on the "Crucifixion of Christ." A weeping spirit prevailed and nine came to the altar, if I remember correctly.

We raised a total of $30.50 that day.

We are in a revival now, with Brother B. F. Cooper as our evangelist. Pray for us here. One was filled with the Holy Ghost last night.—Floyd A. Boger, pastor, 114 Wood St.

On the Air

Church of God at Lindale, Ga., over WRTA, Rome. Each Saturday morning at 10:30. H. T. Durden, pastor.

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B. T. S. ECHOES

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giving for opening up a way for me to be in school and I do praise and thank Him for it. I thank Him for the friends I have. They are worth more to me than very, very much money. I thank the Lord for the friends who pray for me. I truly appreciate everything they are doing for me.

The Lord works in mysterious ways. He called me from my job at Moultrie, Ga., to work for Him. I went to the Assembly expecting to get with some evangelist to start out on the field for the Lord, but the Lord didn't open up a way. I was a little discouraged, but I had a determination to press on for the Lord. I went back to my home at Albany, Ga. I was there hardly two weeks before some of the members of the church there informed me that the church was going to bear my expenses in school. Now wasn't that sweet of the Lord, working through that good humble church to send me to school?

Please pray (and invite your friends to pray also) for the church at Albany, Ga., also pray for me that the Lord may use me in the way He would like to or the way He sees fit.

I will be glad to hear from any of my dear brothers and sisters in the Lord. I also invite other friends to write.—George Broome, Bible Training School, Sevierville, Tenn.

One Who Wants to Be Ready When Jesus Calls

I praise God this morning for free salvation which no one has to buy, because I would be left out. I thank Him for keeping me and being as near Him as I am, but I am not as close to God as I desire, I want the whole blessing. I want the whole Evangel family, also the Bible Training School pupils to pray that I will be in God's will at all times so I may receive the Holy Ghost, and if it is God's will when I move from here I will move to a better place so I can go to services and be close to holiness people. I live twenty-five miles from my church. God knows my heart.

I want to be healed of my ailments, D. V., so please pray for me. I certainly enjoy reading the Evangel and Lighted Pathway. I don't think they can be beat; they are food to my soul.—Mrs. Lillie McCord, Rt. 2, Box 256, Prattville, Ala.

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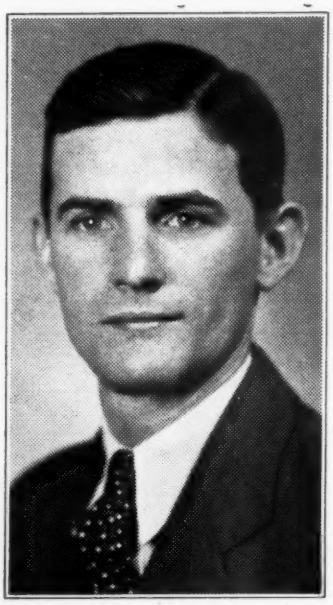

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